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ABSTRACT

The present invention discloses cationic lipids useful for making lipid aggregates for delivery of macromolecules and other compounds into cells. They are especially useful for the DNA-dependent transformation of cells. Also disclosed are lipids useful both for the delivery of macromolecules and also useful as intermediates for making other such lipids.

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